ORDINANCE NO. <u>20-05</u> ORDENANZE NÚMERO 20-05

ORDER OF CANCELLATION ORDEN DE CANCELACIÓN

The City Commission of the City of Breckenridge, Texas, hereby cancels the General Election and the Special Election both scheduled to be held on May 2, 2020 in accordance with a Proclamation by the Governor of the State of Texas, Greg Abbott, issued March 18, 2020.

La Comisión de la Ciudad de la Ciudad de Breckenridge, Texas, por la presente cancela las Elecciones Generales y las Elecciones Especiales programadas para ser celebradas el 2 de mayo de 2020 de acuerdo con una Proclamación del Gobernador del Estado de Texas, Greg Abbott, emitida el 18 de marzo de 2020.

The proclamation suspends Sections 41.0052(a) and (b) of the Texas Election Code and Section 49.103 of the Texas Water Code to the extent necessary to allow political subdivisions that would otherwise hold elections on May 2, 2020, to move their general and special elections for 2020 only to the next uniform election date, occurring on November 3, 2020, without otherwise adjusting the term of office, and suspending Sections 31.093 and 42.0621(c) of the Texas Election Code to the extent necessary to require all county election officers, if requested by an affected political subdivision, to enter into a contract to furnish election services with any political subdivision who postponed their election to November 3, 2020, under the authority of this proclamation.

La proclamación suspende las Secciones 41.0052(a) y (b) del Código Electoral de Texas y la Sección 49.103 del Código de Agua de Texas en la medida necesaria para permitir subdivisiones políticas que de otro modo celebrarían elecciones el 2 de mayo de 2020, para mover sus elecciones para 2020 sólo hasta la próxima fecha de elección uniforme, que ocurra el 3 de noviembre de 2020, sin ajustar de otra manera el mandato, y suspender las Secciones 31.093 y 42.0621(c) del Código Electoral de Texas en la medida necesaria para requerir todas las elecciones del condado oficiales, si lo solicita una subdivisión política afectada, para celebrar un contrato para proporcionar servicios electorales con cualquier subdivisión política que pospusiera su elección al 3 de noviembre de 2020, bajo la autoridad de esta proclamación.

The authority ordering the election under Section 3.004 of the Texas Election Code is the authority authorized to make the decision to postpone its election in accordance with the proclamation.

La autoridad que ordena la elección bajo la Sección 3.004 del Código Electoral de Texas es la autoridad autorizada para tomar la decisión de posponer su elección de acuerdo con la proclamación.

A copy of this order has been posted at City Offices, 105 N. Rose Avenue, Breckenridge, TX 76424 and on the City Website at www.breckenridgetx.gov.

Una copia de esta orden ha sido publicada en Ciudad Oficinas, 105 N. Rose Avenue, Breckenridge, TX 76424 y en el sitio web de la ciudad en <u>www.breckenridgetx.gov</u>.

PASSED AND APPROVED this the 7TH day of April 2020. **PASADO Y APROBÓ** este 7 día de Abril de 2020.

> BOB SIMS, MAYOR

EL ALCALDE

ATTEST:

ATESTADO:

HEATHER ROBERTSON-CARAWAY, CCCH, TRMC

CITY SECRETARY

SECRETARIA MUNICIPAL

SEAL SELLO



GOVERNOR GREG ABBOTT

March 18, 2020

The Honorable Ruth R. Hughs Secretary of State State Capitol Room 1E.8 Austin, Texas 78701 FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

10:00 AM O'CLOCK

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Secretary of State

Dear Secretary Hughs:

Pursuant to his powers as Governor of the State of Texas, Greg Abbott has issued the following:

A proclamation suspending Sections 41.0052(a) and (b) of the Texas Election Code and Section 49.103 of the Texas Water Code to the extent necessary to allow political subdivisions that would otherwise hold elections on May 2, 2020, to move their general and special elections for 2020 only to the next uniform election date, occurring on November 3, 2020, without otherwise adjusting the term of office, and suspending Sections 31.093 and 42.0621(c) of the Texas Election Code to the extent necessary to require all county election officers, if requested by an affected political subdivision, to enter into a contract to furnish election services with any political subdivision who postponed their election to November 3, 2020, under the authority of this proclamation.

The original of this proclamation is attached to this letter of transmittal.

Respectfully submitted,

Gregory S Davidson

Executive Clerk to the Governor

GSD/gsd

Attachment

PROCLAMATION

Governor of the State of Texas

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:

WHEREAS, Section 41.001(a)(2) of the Texas Election Code provides that a general or special election in this state shall be held on a uniform election date, and the next uniform election date is occurring on May 2, 2020; and

WHEREAS, Section 49.103 of the Texas Water Code provides that certain districts governed by this provision are required to hold director elections in May of each evennumbered year; and

WHEREAS, Section 41,0052 of the Texas Election Code prescribes a procedure for a political subdivision to change a general election date, but the time for making such a change has expired; and

WHEREAS, Section 31.093 of the Texas Election Code requires a county elections administrator to enter into a contract to furnish election services upon request of a political subdivision; and

WHEREAS, Section 42.0621(c) of the Texas Election Code does not require a political subdivision to enter into a contract with a county or hold a joint election with a county on the November uniform election date; and

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, the Governor of Texas certified that the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) poses an imminent threat of disaster and, under the authority vested in the Governor by Section 418.014 of the Texas Government Code, declared a state of disaster for all counties in Texas; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 418.016 of the Texas Government Code, the Governor has the express authority to suspend the provisions of any regulatory statute prescribing the procedures for conduct of state business or the orders or rules of a state agency if strict compliance with the provisions, orders, or rules would in any way prevent, hinder, or delay necessary action in coping with a disaster.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GREG ABBOTT, Governor of Texas, under the authority vested in me by the Constitution and Laws of the State of Texas, do hereby suspend Sections 41.0052(a) and (b) of the Texas Blection Code and Section 49.103 of the Texas Water Code to the extent necessary to allow political subdivisions that would otherwise hold elections on May 2, 2020, to move their general and special elections for 2020 only to the next uniform election date, occurring on November 3, 2020, without otherwise adjusting the term of office. I further suspend Sections 31.093 and 42.0621(c) of the Texas Election Code to the extent necessary to require all county election officers, if requested by an affected political subdivision, to enter into a contract to furnish election services with any political subdivision who postponed their election to November 3, 2020, under the authority of this proclamation.

The authority ordering the election under Section 3.004 of the Texas Election Code is the authority authorized to make the decision to postpone its election in accordance with this proclamation.

Current office holders will hold over to the extent authorized by Article XVI, Section 17 of the Texas Constitution.

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